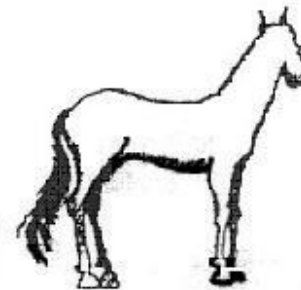


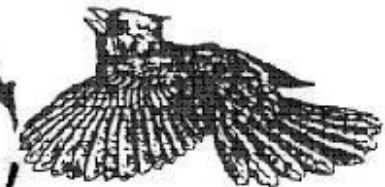
# Life Cycle of the West Nile Virus

**SUMMER**

Warm, wet weather  
produces large mosquito  
populations



Dead-end hosts



Some birds die

**FALL**

Mosquito populations  
decline, birds migrate



Virus overwinters  
locally or is  
reintroduced

**SPRING**

Virus amplified  
among birds  
and mosquitoes

